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was sick with smallpox. Gilberton, Schuylkill County, 1 case reported February 13. Maltby, a small mining village 2 miles from Wyoming, in Luzerne County, 1 case reported February 17. Brookville, Jefferson County, 1 case reported February 18. No origin can be obtained as to the cause of the last 3 cases named. One fatal case of cerebrospinal meningitis has been reported in Philadelphia since January 9, date of my last report. The number of cases of diphtheria reported in Philadelphia since January 9 has been 471; number of deaths, 180.

Yours, very truly,

BENJ. LEE,

Secretary State Board of Health.

*Epidemic of scarlet fever in Seattle, Wash.*

The following report of scarlet fever in Seattle was received under date of February 15, 1896:

Seattle is still troubled with a severe epidemic of scarlet fever. The disease is so comparatively mild in this climate that it is not feared, and often a physician is not called in to see these cases. Children are allowed to go to school and play in the streets while suffering with the disease. The health officer has had serious trouble with the disease. Several of the public schools were closed and several persons brought before the courts for noncompliance with the quarantine laws of the city.

*Smallpox in the United States as reported to the Supervising Surgeon-General Marine-Hospital Service, December 26, 1895, to February 26, 1896.*

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Arizona:				
Hirshaw.....	Feb. 17.....	10		
Nogales.....	Jan. 6-Feb. 3....	3		
Arkansas:				
Crittenden County.....	Jan. 19.....	24	5	
Faulkner County.....	Jan. 4-Feb. 8....	27	4	
Monroe County.....	To Feb. 8.....	43		
Lee County.....	do.....	12	3	
St. Francis County.....	do.....	16	6	
Pulaski County.....	do.....	4		
Widener.....	Jan. 4.....	1		
Surrounded Hill.....	do.....	1		
Connecticut:				
Middletown.....	Feb. 11.....	1		
New Haven.....	Feb. 8.....	1		
Illinois:				
Cairo.....	Jan. 14-Feb. 15....	15	2	
Chicago.....	Dec. 1-Dec. 31....		2	
Du Quoin, Perry County.....	Feb. 24.....	8		
Indiana:				
Seymour.....	Jan. 29.....	1		
Louisiana:				
New Orleans.....	Dec. 21-Dec. 28....	10	2	
	Dec. 28-Jan. 25....	26	7	
	Jan. 25-Feb. 15....	25	5	
Michigan:				
Detroit.....	Dec. 14-Dec. 21....			Smallpox reported.
	Dec. 21-Dec. 28....	3	1	
	Dec. 28-Feb. 15....	8	2	
Imlay Township.....	Feb. 7-Feb. 14....			Do.
Ionia Township.....	do.....			Do.
Rochester.....	Dec. 14-Dec. 21....			Do.
Saginaw.....	Feb. 1-Feb. 15....			Do.
Riga Township.....	do.....			Do.
Missouri:				
Birds Point.....	Jan. 14.....			Do.
St. Louis.....	Jan. 21.....	1		
New York:				
Brooklyn.....	Jan. 4-Jan. 11....	2	1	
	Feb. 15-Feb. 22....	1		
Ohio:				
Martins Ferry.....	Dec. 1-Dec. 28....	139	3	